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TAGS: EAIR, GW, WB, US

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM IGS CLAIM

REF: (A) STATE 261093, (B) STATE 028509, (C) BONN 18929

1. THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS WILL BE TOLLED DECEMBER 31, 197Y, ON PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS' APPROXIMATELY FIVE MILLION DOLLAR CLAIM FOR LOSSES SUFFERED ON IGS SERVICES DURING 1973 AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER SLOWDOWN. NO DAMAGE SUIT MAY THEREAFTER BE EFFECTIVELY FILED. IN VILW OF NECESSARY LEGAL PREPARATIONS AND UPCOMING HOLIDAYS, PAN AM MUST DECIDE WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS WHETHER TO FILE SUIT IN FRG. DECISION DEPENDS UPON FRG'S WILLINGNESS TO SETTLE CLAIM INFORMALLY AS PROPOSED (REFS A AND B).

2. REF C INDICATES THAT MOST RECENT AIDE MEMOIRE WAS PRESENTED ON NOVEMBER 11 TO MATHIAS, WHO "PROMISED TO BRING MATTER TO ATTENTION (OF FOREIGN OFFICE AND MINISTRY  
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OF TRANSPORT LEGAL EXPERTS) PROMPTLY."

3. ECON-COMMERCIAL MINISTER-COUNSELOR SHOULD ASCERTAIN FROM MATHIAS WHEN APPROPRIATE FRG RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 11 AIDE-MEMOIRE MAY BE EXPECTED. MATHIAS SHOULD ALSO BE

REMINDING OF DECEMBER 31 DEADLINE AND CONSEQUENT URGENT

NEED FOR RESPONSE. VANCE

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